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Suite 322
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February 10, 1994

Mr. Chris Guy
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Dear Mr. Guy:

This responds to your fax of February 9, 1994 requesting information about federally listed or proposed endangered and threatened species within the area affected by Harveys Lake located in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Except for occasional transient species, no federally listed or proposed threatened or endangered species under our jurisdiction are known to exist in the project impact area. Therefore, no Biological Assessment or further Section 7 consultation under the Endangered Species Act (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) is required with the Fish and Wildlife Service. Should project plans change, or if additional information on listed or proposed species becomes available, this determination may be reconsidered. A compilation of federally listed endangered and threatened species in Pennsylvania is enclosed for your information.

This response relates only to endangered or threatened species under our jurisdiction based on an office review of the proposed project's location. No field inspection of the project area has been conducted by this office. Consequently, this letter is not to be construed as addressing other Service concerns under the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act or other legislation.

Federal Candidate and State-listed Species

Candidate species are species under consideration by the Service for possible inclusion on the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants. Because many of these species are known to have suffered population declines, the Service encourages federal agencies and other planners to consider candidate species when planning and implementing their projects.

The Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) is maintained by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources, The Nature Conservancy and the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy. The Pennsylvania Fish and Wildlife Database is maintained by the Pennsylvania Game Commission. These databases contain the most up-to-date information about candidate and State-listed species in Pennsylvania. Requests for a PNDI review for the presence of candidate and State-listed species, as well as other natural resources of special concern, should be directed to:

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Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources
Bureau of Forestry
Division of Forest Advisory Services
400 Market Street (MSSOB), 3rd Floor
P.O. Box 8552
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8552

Requests for a review of the Pennsylvania Fish and Wildlife Database should be directed to:

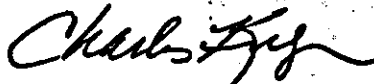
Pennsylvania Game Commission
Bureau of Land Management
Division of Wildlife Data Base
2001 Elmerton Avenue
Harrisburg, PA 17110-9797

Should the data search reveal the presence of any candidate species on the site, the Service should be contacted to ensure that these species are not adversely affected by project activities.

Requests for information regarding State-listed endangered or threatened species should be directed to the Pennsylvania Game Commission (birds and mammals), the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (fish, reptiles, and amphibians), and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (plants).

Please contact Philip Edmunds of my staff at 814-234-4090 if you have any questions or require further assistance regarding endangered, threatened, or candidate species.

Sincerely,



Charles J. Kulp
Supervisor

Enclosure

GENERALLY LISTED ENDANGERED SPECIES IN PENNSYLVANIA

<u>COMMON NAME</u>	<u>SCIENTIFIC NAME</u>	<u>STATUS*</u>	<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>
<u>FISHES</u>			
Shortnose sturgeon**	<i>Acipenser brevirostrum</i>	E	Delaware River and other Atlantic coastal waters
<u>REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS</u>			
None			
<u>BIRDS</u>			
Bald eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	E	Entire state-recent nesting in Butler, Crawford, Dauphin, Lancaster, Pike, Tioga, York Counties
Peregrine falcon (American)	<i>Falco peregrinus anatum</i>	E	Entire state-reestablishment to former breeding range in progress
Peregrine falcon (Arctic)	<i>Falco peregrinus tundrius</i>	E	Entire state-migratory
Piping plover	<i>Charadrius melodus</i>	E	Presque Isle-no current nesting
<u>MAMMALS</u>			
Indiana bat	<i>Myotis sodalis</i>	E	Entire state
<u>MOLLUSKS</u>			
Clubshell mussel	<i>Pleurobema clava</i>	E	French Creek and Allegheny River watersheds; Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Mercer and Venango Counties
Dwarf wedge mussel	<i>Alasmidonta heterodon</i>	E	Delaware River drainage-possibly extirpated
Fanshell	<i>Cyprogenia stegaria</i>	E	Ohio River drainage-possibly extirpated
Northern riffleshell	<i>Epioblasma torulosa rangiana</i>	E	French Creek and Allegheny River watersheds; Crawford, Erie, Forest, Venango and Warren Counties
Orange pimpleback	<i>Plethobasus striatus</i>	E	Ohio River drainage-possibly extirpated
Pink mucket pearly mussel	<i>Lampsilis abrupta</i>	E	Ohio River drainage-possibly extirpated
Rough pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema plenum</i>	E	Ohio River drainage-possibly extirpated
<u>PLANTS</u>			
Northeastern bulrush	<i>Scirpus angustirochaetus</i>	E	Current - Blair, Centre, Clinton, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Huntingdon, Lackawanna, Monroe, Union Counties. Historic - Lehigh, Northampton Counties.
Small whorled pogonia	<i>Isotria medeoloides</i>	E	Current - Centre and Venango Counties. Historic - Berks, Chester, Greene, Monroe, Montgomery, Philadelphia Counties.

* E = Endangered

** Shortnose sturgeon is under the jurisdiction of the National Marine Fisheries Service

The following is a partial list of species that no longer occur in Pennsylvania: gray wolf, eastern cougar, moose, bison, lynx, wolverine, passenger pigeon, Bachman's sparrow, common tern, lark sparrow, tiger salamander, mud sunfish, longjaw cisco, lake whitefish, butterfly mussel, American burying beetle, precious underwing moth, Karner blue butterfly, American barberry, small white lady's-slipper, eastern prairie fringed orchid, Virginia spiraea, etc., etc.

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